(d) what steps are taken to find out the missue of funds and to correct them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UTTAMBHAI H. PATEL): (a) to (d) The Central Government has evolved siutable institutional mechanism of both officials and elected representatives in order to ensure that the schemes under IRDP and JRY are properly implemented and funds provided under schemes to the State Govt. are utilised properly in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Central Government. A system of close monitoring of the implementation of these programmes has been evolved based on monthly, quarterly and annual progress reports in the field. At the Dtstrict level the schemes are implemented and supervised by Zilla Parishad or District Rural Development Agency (DRDA). Further State-level Sanctioning Committees also oversee implementation of the programmes at State-level. In case of JRY, the panchayats implement and supervise schemes taken up in their jurtsdiction. A schedule of inspections has also been involved prescribing minimum number of field visits for each functionary at State/ District level. Tre inspection reports and periodical progress reports enable the State Government authorities as well as the Central authorities to monitor the progress of the schemes and to give a close watch on the implementation of the programmes and take corrective measures wherever necessary. The monitoring mechanism thus evolved also help checking and detecting possible mis-use of funds at any level.

As per the guidelines issued for work under JRY, contractors are forbidden in undertaking such works. State Governments are also advised to strengthen the vigilance machinery to check any malpractice and in case any misuse of funds is detected, the matter is referred to the concerned State Government for taking remedial action. Over and above these steps, a regular concurrent evaluation of the implementation of the programmes is also undertaken through reputed non-Governmental agencies to identify short-comings if any in the programmes and effecting necessary improvements.

Indira Awas Yojana

@1627. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of dwelling units which have so far been constructed in the State of Madhya Pradesh under the Indira Awas Yojana scheme;

(b) what is the number of such dwelling units which have been allotted to the SC/ST and other weaker section of the State so far; and

(c) what is the target of the Government for constructing houses under the Scheme in Madhya Pradesh during the 8th Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) and (b) Under Indira Awas Yojana (IAY) houses are constructed for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and freed bonded labourers below the poverty line. Beneficiaries are identified in the beginning and they are associated in the construction itself. So far 87212 houses are reported to have been constructed under Indira Awas Yojana in the State of Madhya Pradesh.

(c) No targets during the 8th Five Year Plan have been fixed so far.

@Previosuly Unstarred Question 979, transferred from the 17th July, 1992.